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DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		US APPLICATION NO. (II known, see 37 CFR 1.5)					
	INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED				
	CT/CA2005/000339	March 3, 2005	March 3, 2004				
TITLE OF INVENTION SELF-CENTERING ENERGY DISSIPATIVE BRACE APPARATUS WITH TENSIONING ELEMENTS							
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US							
TREMBLAY, Robert and CHRISTOPOULOS, Constantin Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:							
	This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.						
	This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.						
	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.						
4. 🗸	The US has been elected (Article 31).						
5. 🔽	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))						
	a. is attached hereto (required	only if not communicated by the Internation	nal Bureau).				
	b. has been communicated by	the International Bureau.					
	c. is not required, as the applic	cation was filed in the United States Receiv	ing Office (RO/US).				
6.	An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).						
	a. is attached hereto.						
	b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).						
7.	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))						
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	b. have been communicated by the International Bureau.						
	c. have not been made; howe	c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.					
	d. have not been made and will not be made.						
8.	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).						
9.	An oath or declaration of the inventor	(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).					
10.	An English language translation of the Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).	e annexes of the International Preliminary E	xamination Report under PCT				
Items	11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:					
11.	An Information Disclosure Statement	under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.					
12. 🔲	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.						
13. 🗹	A preliminary amendment.						
14.	An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.						
15.	A substitute specification.						
16. 🔲	A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.						
17.	A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.						
18.	A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).						
19.	A second copy of the English language	e translation of the international application	n under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).				

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20. Other items or information: Copies of: PCT Request; Notification of Transmittal of International Search Report and Written Opinion; Page 1 of PCT Publication WO 2005/085543 as-published on 15 September 2005; Written Opinion of the ISA mailed June 6, 2005; Form PCT/IB/308 - First Notice Informing Applicant of the Communication of the International Application (to Designated Offices Which Do Not Apply the 30 Month Time Limit); Form PCT/IB/308 - Second and Supplementary Notice Informing Applicant of the Communication of the International Application (to Designated Offices Which Apply the 30 Month Time Limit); Patent Postcard								
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